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1. RUMOR CIRCULATING AMONG UNIDO STAFF TO EFFECT FRANCOIS LE GUAY, PRESENT DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMMING DIVISION AND FRENCH NATIONAL, BEING NOMINATED BY GOF AS CANDIDATE FOR UNIDO DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR POST. WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT LE GUAY HAS IN FACT WRITTEN ABDEL-RAHMAN, UNIDO EXEC DIRECTOR, PROPOSING HIMSELF FOR SAID POST IF CREATED; HIS LETTER REPORTEDLY DID NOT INDICATE WHETHER HE HAS GOF SUPPORT. ACCORDING FRENCH MISOFF, LOCAL FRENCH MISSION TO UNIDO AWARE OF LE GUAY'S CANDIDACY, BUT UNINFORMED RE GOF SUPPORT, WHICH HE SAID WOULD IN ANY EVENT HAVE TO BE COMMUNICATED VIA NEW YORK MISSION RATHER THAN VIENNA. HE ADDED HE SAW NO REASON WHY GOF WOULD NOT SUPPORT LE GUAY.

2. IN OUR VIEW, LE GUAY WOULD BE VERY POORT CANDIDATE,
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BUT UNLIKE POTENTIAL STRONGER CANDIDATES OF OTHER NATIONALITIES WOULD BE WILLING ASSUME DEP EXEC DIRECTOR TITLE

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AT D-2 LEVEL. ABDEL-RAHMAN HAS INCLINATION TO RETAIN OR EMPLOY PERSONS WITH WHOM HE PROFESSIONALLY ACQUAINTED, EVEN WHEN HE HIMSELF REPORTEDLY UNIMPRESSED BY THEIR ABILITIES (I.E. QUIJANO-CABALLERO AND LE GUAY HIMSELF, WHOM A-R GRANTED FURTHER EXTENSION AS DIVISION DIRECTORS LAST SPRING), SO LE GUAY'S CANDIDACY CANNOT BE COMPLETELY DISCOUNTED.

3. DEPT MAY WISH DETERMINE VIA USUN NEW YORK WHETHER LE GUAY'S CANDIDACY KNOWN AND SUPPORTED BY GOF.

4. RE POST OF DIRECTOR ISI DIVISION, FRG MISOFF TOLD US YESTERDAY ACTING DIV DIRECTOR SCHWOERBEL WILL BE RECOMMENDED FOR YEAR'S EXTENSION.STIBRAVY

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